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Disposition of Claims			
4) Claim(s) 2-6,12-20,22 and 24-29 is/are pending 4a) Of the above claim(s) 26-29 is/are withdraw 5) Claim(s) 2-6,12-20,22,24 and 25 is/are allowed 6) Claim(s) is/are rejected. 7) Claim(s) is/are objected to. 8) Claim(s) are subject to restriction and/or Application Papers  9) The specification is objected to by the Examine 10) The drawing(s) filed on is/are: a) access Applicant may not request that any objection to the of Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction	rn from consideration.  I.  r election requirement.  r.  epted or b) □ objected to by the Indrawing(s) be held in abeyance. See	e 37 CFR 1.85(a).	
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#### **DETAILED ACTION**

#### Election/Restrictions

1. Newly submitted claims 26-29 are directed to an invention that is independent or distinct from the invention originally claimed for the following reasons:

Regarding claims 26-29, directed to a wireless communication system for communicating amongst a pattern of cellular communication cells wherein the pattern of cellular communication cells comprises a repeated pattern of classes of cells are arranged such that a cell from any one class is not adjacent another cell from a same class of cells and wherein the control station assigns a spread spectrum code for each corresponding class of cells.

Since applicant has received an action on the merits for the originally presented invention, this invention has been constructively elected by original presentation for prosecution on the merits. Accordingly, claims 26-29 are withdrawn from consideration as being directed to a non-elected invention. See 37 CFR 1.142(b) and MPEP § 821.03.

### **Reissue Application**

2. Applicant is notified that any subsequent amendment to the specification and/or claims must comply with 37 CFR 1.173(b). In addition, when any substantive amendment is filed in the reissue application, which amendment otherwise places the

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reissue application in condition for allowance, a supplemental oath/declaration will be required. See MPEP § 1414.01.

The amendments filed 05/31/01, 07/02/02, 01/30/03, 05/12/03, 09/17/03, 02/09/04, and 07/22/04 do not comply with 37 CFR 1.173(b), which sets forth the manner of making amendments in reissue applications (please refers to MPEP 1453). A supplemental paper correctly amending the reissue application is required.

- 3. The original declaration filed 6/14/00 does not appear to clearly set forth an error being corrected. The language identified in the declaration cannot be found in any specific claim and applicant has not indicated which claim contains the error.

  Furthermore, none of the many amendments filed, as stated above in item 1, was filed with a supplemental declaration in accordance with MPEP 1414.01. Therefore, since a new declaration will be required any way (for compliance with MPEP 1414.01), it would be best for attorney to also clarify the error (in accordance with MPEP 1414) when a new declaration is filed.
- 4. The 3.73(b) statement is defective.

The 3.73(b) fails to set forth that the assignee holds the 'entire title, right, and interest". (see MPEP 324). Also, it is not signed by the same party who gave consent and does not provide any indication that the person signing is authorized to sign on behalf of the assignee.

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## Allowable Subject Matter

5. Claims 2-6, 12-20, 22, 24, and 25 are allowable over the prior art of record.

### Conclusion

- 6. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Pablo Tran whose telephone number is (571)272-7898. The examiner normal hours are 9:30 -5:00 (Monday-Friday). If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Edward Urban, can be reached at (571)272-7899. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is (571)273-8300.
- 7. Information regarding the status of an application may be obtained from the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) System. Status information for published applications may be obtained from either Private PAIR or Public PAIR. Status information for unpublished applications is available through Private PAIR only. For more information about the PAIR system, see http://pair-directauspto.gov. Should you have questions on access to the Private PAIR system, contact the Electronic Business Center (EBC) at 866-217-9197 (toll-free).
- 8. In view of the Applicant's response filed on 07/25/06, PROSECUTION IS HEREBY REOPENED. As set forth below.

To avoid abandonment of the application, appellant must exercise one of the following two options:

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(1) file a reply under 37 CFR 1.111 (if this Office action is non-final) or a reply

under 37 CFR 1.113 (if this Office action is final); or,

(2) initiate a new appeal by filing a notice of appeal under 37 CFR 41.31 followed

by an appeal brief under 37 CFR 41.37. The previously paid notice of appeal fee and

appeal brief fee can be applied to the new appeal. If, however, the appeal fees set forth

in 37 CFR 41.20 have been increased since they were previously paid, then appellant

must pay the difference between the increased fees and the amount previously paid.

A Supervisory Patent Examiner (SPE) has approved of reopening prosecution by

signing below:

March 29, 2007

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